# VPRS Keel Classification

Keel Planforms & Sections (parts 1 & 2) combine to yield area and volume distribution, whilst Keel Materials (part 3) gives the weight distribution. Lifting keels are identified in part 4, and there is the opportunity to record additional ballast - perhaps associated with either lifting or swing keels. All codes are a letter followed by a number.







### Part 1: Keel Planforms (cont)



## VPRS Keel Classification Part 2: Keel Sections - choose whichever most closely resembles your keel section





Keel Materials are used with the Planforms and Sections to determine the weight distribution and hence the centre of gravity.

### Part 3: Keel Materials

Note: FRP = Fibre Reinforced Plastic (usually Glass/Carbon/Kevlar + Polyester/Epoxy)

- F1 FRP
- F2 FRP with encapsulated iron
- F3 FRP with encapsulated lead
- F4 FRP with attached iron ballast
- F5 FRP with attached lead ballast
- F6 FRP stub/keel box with iron fin
- F7 FRP sheathed timber fin/keel
- R1 Iron
- R2 Iron with attached lead ballast/shoe
- R3 Iron stub/keel box with iron fin
- L1 Lead
- L2 Lead with iron shoe
- C1 Ferrocement
- C2 Ferrocement with encapsulated iron
- T1 Timber keel
- T2 Timber keel with attached iron ballast
- T3 Timber keel with attached lead ballast

#### Part 4: Other discriminating features

- N1 None
- G1 Grounding plate
- B1 Additional hull ballast
- L1 Lifting fin
- L2 Lifting fin with hull ballast / grounding plate
- S1 Swing fin
- S2 Swing fin with hull ballast / grounding plate